

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 11 a.m., on Thursday, July 1, 2021.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 33 public bills, H.R. 4213–4245; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 39; and H. Res. 509–510, were introduced. **Pages H3306–08**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3309–10**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 508, providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3684) to authorize funds for Federal-Aid Highways, Highway Safety Programs, and Transit Programs, and for other purposes; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–75);

H.R. 3291, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide assistance for States, territories, areas affected by natural disasters, and water systems and schools affected by PFAS or lead, and to require the Environmental Protection Agency to promulgate national primary drinking water regulations for PFAS, microcystin toxin, and 1,4-dioxane, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–76); and

H.R. 3293, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish programs to assist low-income households in maintaining access to drinking water and wastewater services, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–77, Part 1). **Page H3306**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Suozzi to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3243**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:34 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3247**

Suspending the Rules and passing bills and agreeing to the resolutions en bloc: Pursuant to section 8 of H. Res. 504, Representative McGovern made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the following bills en bloc, and therefore the ordering of the yeas and nays on postponed motions would be vacated to the end that all such motions would be considered as withdrawn: H.R. 1500, amended, H.R. 2471, amended, H.R. 3261, H.R. 3283, amended, and H.R. 3385, amended, and agree to the resolutions H. Res. 186 and H. Res. 402, amended, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 356 yeas to 46 nays, Roll No. 192. **Pages H3258–63**

Agreed to amend the title of H.R. 1500 so as to read: “To direct the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to submit to Congress a report on the impact of the COVID–19 pandemic on United States Agency for International Development basic education programs.”

Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Monday, June 28th.

Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership Program Act of 2021: H.R. 567, amended, to establish an interagency program to assist countries in North and West Africa to improve immediate and long-term capabilities to counter terrorist threats, by a ²/₃ yeas-and-nays vote of 395 yeas to 15 nays, Roll No. 192. **Pages H3262–63**

IG Independence and Empowerment Act: The House passed H.R. 2662, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 221 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 195. **Pages H3276–90**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Oversight and Reform now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H3276**

Agreed to:

Carolyn B. Maloney (NY) amendment No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 117–74: Axne (No. 1) that requires more detailed rationale for firing an Inspector General; Bourdeaux (No. 2) that ensures Inspectors General receive training on the use of, and process for, the suspension or debarment of persons for eligibility for Federal contracts; Carter (LA) (No. 3) that increases the pay of IGs to ensure that senior advisors do not make more than the IGs they work for; Malinowski (No. 5) that provides an exception to the requirement that IGs provide notice 30 days before placing an IG on non-duty status if the IG poses a threat to the workplace or threatens an investigation; and Torres (NY) (No. 6) that requires GAO to conduct a review and issue a report evaluating processes for investigating wrongdoing by Inspectors General, including processes of the Integrity Committee of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency and processes of Inspector General offices, by a ye-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 184 nays, Roll No. 193. **Pages H3284–88**

Rejected:

Comer amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 117–74) that sought to strike Titles I, III, and V of the bill (by a ye-and-nay vote of 182 yeas to 220 nays, Roll No. 194). **Pages H3287–89**

H. Res. 504, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2662), (H.R. 3005), (H.R. 3684) and the resolution (H. Res. 503) was agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 190, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 189. **Pages H3250–58**

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in remembrance of the victims of the collapse of the Champlain Towers building in Surfside, Florida. **Page H3288**

Directing the Joint Committee on the Library to replace the bust of Roger Brooke Taney in the Old Supreme Court Chamber of the United States Capitol with a bust of Thurgood Marshall to be obtained by the Joint Committee on the Library and to remove certain statues from areas of the United States Capitol which are accessible to the public, to remove all statues of individuals who voluntarily served the Confederate States of America from display in the United States Capitol: The House passed H.R. 3005, to direct the Joint Committee on the Library to replace

the bust of Roger Brooke Taney in the Old Supreme Court Chamber of the United States Capitol with a bust of Thurgood Marshall to be obtained by the Joint Committee on the Library and to remove certain statues from areas of the United States Capitol which are accessible to the public, to remove all statues of individuals who voluntarily served the Confederate States of America from display in the United States Capitol, by a ye-and-nay vote of 285 yeas to 120 nays, Roll No. 196.

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H. Res. 504, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2662), (H.R. 3005), (H.R. 3684) and the resolution (H. Res. 503) was agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 190, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 189. **Pages H3250–58**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Representative Cohen, Co-Chair; Representatives Moore (WI), Cleaver, Veasey, Gallego, Wilson (SC), Aderholt, Hudson, and Fitzpatrick. **Page H3292**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3256–57, H3257, H3262, H3262–63, H3288, H3289, H3289–90, and H3290–91.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a business meeting on the Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2022; and markup on the Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY 2022; and the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill, FY 2022. The Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY 2022; and the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill, FY 2022 were ordered reported, as amended. The Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for FY 2022 passed, without amendment.

THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2022 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the Department of the Army”. Testimony was heard from Christine E. Wormuth, Secretary of the Army, U.S. Army; and General James C. McConville, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, CYBERSECURITY, AND INFORMATION ASSURANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cyber, Innovative Technologies, and Information Systems held a hearing entitled “Department of Defense Information Technology, Cybersecurity, and Information Assurance for Fiscal Year 2022”. Testimony was heard from John Sherman, Acting Chief Information Officer, Department of Defense.

THE CLEAN FUTURE ACT AND ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION: DELIVERING CLEAN POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “The CLEAN Future Act and Electric Transmission: Delivering Clean Power to the People”. Testimony was heard from Patricia Hoffman, Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

A BIASED, BROKEN SYSTEM: EXAMINING PROPOSALS TO OVERHAUL CREDIT REPORTING TO ACHIEVE EQUITY

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Biased, Broken System: Examining Proposals to Overhaul Credit Reporting to Achieve Equity”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE LEGACY OF GEORGE FLOYD, AN EXAMINATION OF FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRY COMMITMENTS TO ECONOMIC AND RACIAL JUSTICE

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion held a hearing entitled “The Legacy of George Floyd, An Examination of Financial Services Industry Commitments to Economic and Racial Justice”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE CONFLICT IN ETHIOPIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Conflict in Ethiopia”. Testimony was heard from Robert F. Godec, Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and Sarah Charles, Assistant to the Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development.

EXAMINING FEMA’S READINESS TO MEET ITS MISSION

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining FEMA’s Readiness to Meet its Mission”. Testimony was heard from Deanne Criswell, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

THE NEED TO ENHANCE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT: PRELIMINARY INJUNCTIONS, BAIL-IN COVERAGE, ELECTION OBSERVERS, AND NOTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing entitled “The Need to Enhance the Voting Rights Act: Preliminary Injunctions, Bail-in Coverage, Election Observers, and Notice”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R. 1851, the “St. Mary’s Reinvestment Act”; H.R. 1869, the “Technical Correction to the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation Water Rights Settlement Act of 2021”; H.R. 3877, the “Salton Sea Projects Improvements Act”; and H.R. 4099, the “Large Scale Water Recycling Project Investment Act”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Napolitano, Ruiz, Amodei, and Rosendale; David Raff, Chief Engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1204, the “District of Columbia Chief Financial Officer Salary Home Rule Act”; H.R. 1224, the “Merit System Protection Board Empowerment Act”; H.R. 2043, the “Plum Act”; H.R. 2988, the “Whistleblower Protection Improvement Act”; H.R. 3599, the “Federal Rotational Cyber Workforce Program Act”; H.R. 3787, the “District of Columbia Local Juror Non-discrimination Act”; H.R. 735, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 502 East Cotati Avenue in Cotati, California, as the

“Arthur Luis Ibleto Post Office Building”; H.R. 1298, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1233 North Cedar Street in Owasso, Oklahoma, as the “Staff Sergeant Marshal Roberts Post Office Building”; H.R. 2324, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2800 South Adams Street in Tallahassee, Florida, as the “D. Edwina Stephens Post Office”; H.R. 2472, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 82422 Cadiz Jewett Road in Cadiz, Ohio, as the “John Armor Bingham Post Office”; and H.R. 2473, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 275 Penn Avenue in Salem, Ohio, as the “Howard Arthur Tibbs Post Office”. H.R. 2988, H.R. 2043, H.R. 3787, H.R. 1204, H.R. 1224, and H.R. 3599 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1298, H.R. 2324, H.R. 2427, H.R. 2473, and H.R. 735 were ordered reported, without amendment.

INVEST IN AMERICA ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3684, the “INVEST in America Act” [Amendment Consideration]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 7–3, a rule providing for further consideration of H.R. 3684, the “INVEST in America Act”, under a structured rule. The rule provides that following debate, each further amendment printed in the Rules Committee report not earlier considered as part of amendments en bloc pursuant to subsection (b) shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before the question is put thereon, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule provides that at any time after debate the chair of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure or his designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure or their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report or amendments en bloc described in subsection (b). The rule provides that it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider concurrent res-

olutions providing for adjournment during the month of July. The rule provides that the provisions of section 202 of the National Emergencies Act shall not apply during the remainder of the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress to a joint resolution terminating the national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020. The rule provides that House Resolution 188, agreed to March 8, 2021, is amended by striking “July 1, 2021” each place it appears and inserting “July 30, 2021”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bilirakis, Brady, Burgess, Cammack, Graves of Louisiana, Johnson of South Dakota, Nehls, Pence, Perry, Roy, Schweikert, Smith of New Jersey, Green of Texas, Jackson Lee, Johnson of Georgia, Torres of California, and Trone.

THE STATE OF FEDERAL WILDLAND FIRE SCIENCE: EXAMINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FURTHER RESEARCH AND COORDINATION

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The State of Federal Wildland Fire Science: Examining Opportunities for Further Research and Coordination”. Testimony was heard from George Geissler, State Forester and Deputy, Wildland Fire and Forest Health and Resiliency, Washington Department of Natural Resources; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS: 2021 MEMBER DAY HEARING

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Committee on Small Business: 2021 Member Day Hearing”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Blumenauer and Case.

EXPANDING ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE PROMISE IT HOLDS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “Expanding Access to Higher Education and the Promise it Holds”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION BUDGET HEARING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Federal Bureau of Investigation Budget Hearing”. Testimony was heard from M.A. Myers, Executive Assistant Director of Intelligence, Federal Bureau of Investigation. This hearing was closed.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 30, 2021**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research, hearing entitled “Supply Chain Recovery and Resiliency: Small Producers and Local Agricultural Markets”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth and Zoom.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, markup on the Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Defense Appropriations Bill, 10 a.m., CV–Auditorium and Webex. This markup is closed.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, markup on the Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Homeland Security Appropriations Bill, 11:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

Full Committee, markup on the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2022; and the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2022, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled “Fiscal Year 2022 Rotary Wing Aviation Budget Request”, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “A Safe Wireless Future: Securing our Networks and Supply Chains”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “America on ‘FIRE’: Will the Crypto Frenzy Lead to Financial Inde-

pendence and Early Retirement or Financial Ruin?”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Financial Institutions, hearing entitled “Addressing Climate as a Systemic Risk: The Need to Build Resilience within Our Banking and Financial System”, 2 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3524, the “Ensuring American Global Leadership and Engagement Act”, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Secrecy Orders and Prosecuting Leaks: Potential Legislative Responses to Deter Prosecutorial Abuse of Power”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Toxic Coal Ash: Adverse Health Effects from the Puerto Rico Plant and Options for Plant Closure”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Office of Insular Affairs Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1317, the “Vieques Recovery and Redevelopment Act of 2021”; and H.R. 1126, the “Vieques Recovery and Redevelopment Act of 2021”, 1 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Catalyst for Change: State and Local IT After the Pandemic”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Workforce Development, hearing entitled “Jobs! Jobs! Jobs!”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Zoom.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, hearing entitled “National Reconnaissance Office/ National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Budget Hearing”, 9:30 a.m., HVC–304 Hearing Room. This hearing is closed.

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Transportation Investments for Solving the Climate Crisis”, 1:30 p.m., 210 Cannon and Zoom.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Thursday, July 1

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Wednesday, June 30

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H. Res. 503—Establishing the Select Committee to investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol. Consideration of H.R. 3684—INVEST in America Act.

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